

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of DERRICK LAVON GIPSON, JR.,
and DARYL MILLER, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

DERRICK LAVON GIPSON,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

LORI ANN MILLER,

Respondent.

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March 24, 2000

No. 217739

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 94-317887

Before: Wilder, P.J., and Sawyer and Markey, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from a family court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i) and (g). We affirm.

The family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, the evidence failed to show that termination of respondent-appellant's parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Kurtis T. Wilder
/s/ David H. Sawyer
/s/ Jane E. Markey